

I am in favor of the proposal submitted by the American Radio Relay League (RM-10867) to restructure the amateur radio bands. This proposal, if enacted into the rules, would meet the Commission's goals of simplifying the current license structure. In addition it would encourage new amateurs, through the creation of a better entry level license, to become competent in multiple aspects of radio communications on the HF bands as well as VHF and UHF, something the current entry license (Technician) does not do.

Retention of Morse code for the Extra class license maintains that class of license as something requiring a little more effort than just memorizing a series of questions.